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SUBJECT: SOUTH LEBANON: WALDHEIM AND GARBA DISCUSS
NIGERIAN CONTINGENT

REF: LAGOS 5356

1. ACCORDING TO UN UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL URQUHART,
DURING MEETING APRIL 26 BETWEEN SYG WALDHEIM AND NIGERIAN
COMMISSIONER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS GARBA LATTER PLEDGED
COMPLETE COOPERATION IN EFFORTS TO GET NIGERIAN CON-
TINGENT FOR UNIFIL TO LEBANON AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE
AND INDICATED CONTINGENT COULD BE READY TO DEPART IN
SHORT ORDER. IT WAS UNDERSTANDING OF URQUHART AND
OTHERS IN UN SECRETARIAT THAT NIGERIA DEFINITELY WISHED
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TO HAVE UN ARRANGE FOR THE AIRLIFTING OF THE CONTINGENT
AND FORMAL REQUEST TO US WAS MADE ON THAT BASIS. INFO
IN REFTEL, THEREFORE, COMES AS SURPRISE TO US BOTH.

2. URQUHART TELLS US THAT GARBA IS DUE TO ARRIVE BACK
IN LAGOS EVENING OF APRIL 28. UN AND WE HOPE THAT
GARBA'S RETURN WILL LEAD TO QUICK RESOLUTION OF QUESTION

OF AIRLIFT AND SUCH RELATED MATTERS AS EQUIPMENT NEEDS.
(FYI: UN CONTINUES TO BE TOTALLY FRUSTRATED IN ITS
EFFORTS TO OBTAIN NECESSARY INFORMATION FROM NIGERIAN
UN MISSION OR TO ENGAGE MISSION IN DISCUSSION OF DETAILS
RELATED TO NIGERIAN CONTINGENT. IT WOULD BE GRATEFUL
FOR ANY ASSISTANCE EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE IN THIS
CONNECTION, AS IT HAS NO MEANS OF COMMUNICATING DIRECTLY
WITH NIGERIAN AUTHORITIES IN LAGOS ON THIS MATTER.)
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